

### SHORT ACTING NARCOTICS PA SUMMARY

Preferred	Non-Preferred
Acetaminophen with Codeine tablets (300-15,	Butalbital with Codeine capsules (50-300-40-
300-30, 300-60mg)	30mg) generic
Aspirin/Codeine tablets (325-15, 325-30, 325-	Fioricet with Codeine capsules (50-300-40-
60mg)	30mg) brand
Butalbital/ASA/Caffeine/Codeine capsules (50-	Hydrocodone/ibuprofen 5-200mg, 7.5-200mg
325-40-30mg)	tablets
Butalbital/APAP/Caffeine/Codeine capsules	Hydromorphone 1mg/ml oral liquid
(50-325-40-30mg)	Magnacet (oxycodone/apap capsules
Dilaudid 1mg/ml oral liquid	2.5mg/400mg, 5/400, 7.5/400, 10/400)
Hydrocodone/acetaminophen tablets (various	Nucynta IR tablets, oral solution (has separate
strengths)	criteria)
Hydrocodone/apap tablets (generic Xodol: 5-	Oxecta (oxycodone IR abuse-deterrent) 5,
300, 7.5-300, 10-300mg)	7.5mg
Hydrocodone/apap 7.5mg/325mg/15ml oral	Primlev (oxycodone/acetaminophen 5-300mg,
solution (generic Hycet)	7.5-300mg, 10-300mg tablets)
Ibudone (hydrocodone/ibuprofen 5-200mg, 10-	Reprexain, brand and generic
200mg	(hydrocodone/ibuprofen 2.5-200mg, 5-200mg,
tablets)	10-200mg tablets)
Oxycodone immediate-release 5, 10, 15, 20,	Synalgos-DC, brand and generic
30mg	(dihydrocodeine/ASA/caffeine)
Oxycodone solution 5mg/5ml, 20mg/mL	Zamicet, brand and generic
Oxycodone/acetaminophen 2.5-325mg, 5-	(hydrocodone/apap 10mg/325mg/15 ml oral
325mg, 7.5-	solution
325mg, 10-325mg tablets	Zolvit (hydrocodone/apap 10mg/300mg/15ml
	oral solution)

### **LENGTH OF AUTHORIZATION:** 3 Months

**NOTE:** If Zamicet is approved on appeal, the brand-name is preferred over the generic. If Fioricet with Codeine, Reprexain or Synalgos-DC is approved on appeal, the generic is preferred over the brand-name. Criteria for Nucynta IR tablets or oral solution is located in a separate document, titled "Nucynta". Short-acting narcotics will hit a PA edit for concurrent therapy with Suboxone or buprenorphine that has been dispensed within the last 7 days.

## PA CRITERIA:

- Physician should submit a written letter of medical necessity stating the reasons the preferred products are not appropriate for the member.
  - For Fioricet with Codeine capsules (brand or generic 50-300-40-30mg), the preferred product is generic butalbital/apap/caffeine/codeine (50-325-40-30mg) capsules.
  - For Hydromorphone 1mg/ml oral liquid, the preferred product is brand-name Dilaudid oral liquid.
  - For Oxecta, the preferred product is generic oxycodone immediaterelease.



- For Magnacet or Primlev, the preferred product is oxycodone/acetaminophen or oxycodone.
- For Reprexain (brand and generic) or generic hydrocodone/ibuprofen, the preferred products are hydrocodone/acetaminophen or Ibudone.
- o For Zamicet (brand and generic) or Zovit, the preferred product is generic hydrocodone/apap oral solution.
- ❖ Approval for Synalgos-DC (brand and generic) may be granted for members who have experienced ineffectiveness, allergies, contraindications, drug-drug interactions, or a history of intolerable side effects to at least two preferred products. In addition, brand-name Synalgos-DC requires a written letter of medical necessity stating why the generic formulation cannot be used.
- ❖ Concurrent therapy of Suboxone or buprenorphine with short-acting narcotics requires the prescriber to submit a written letter of medical necessity stating the reason(s) that concurrent therapy is necessary.

# QLL CRITERIA FOR OXYCODONE IMMEDIATE-RELEASE:

❖ An authorization to exceed the QLL may be granted for opioid-tolerant cancer patients utilizing long-acting narcotics.

#### **EXCEPTIONS:**

- ❖ Exceptions to these conditions of coverage are considered through the prior authorization process.
- ❖ The Prior Authorization process may be initiated by calling Catamaran at 1-866-525-5827.

## **PA and APPEAL PROCESS:**

❖ For online access to the PA process please go to www.mmis.georgia.gov/portal, highlight the pharmacy link on the top right side of the page, and click on "prior approval process".

# **QUANTITY LEVEL LIMITATIONS:**

❖ For online access to the current Quantity Level Limit please go to www.mmis.georgia.gov/portal, highlight Provider Information and click on Provider Manuals. Scroll to the page with Pharmacy Services Part II and select that manual.